



# THE PARISHES OF LEDBURY AND EASTNOR

*Worshipping God,  
Following Jesus, Sharing His Love*



## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER Sunday 15th April 2018

- 8.00am BCP Holy Communion  
*Led by The Revd William Simmonds*
- 9.30am Parish Communion with Prayer Ministry  
*Led by The Revd William Simmonds*
- 6.30pm Evensong  
*Led by The Revd Bill Mackenzie*

### Church Diary for the week ahead

Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> April	8.00pm	Ecumenical Worship, Ledbury Baptist Church
Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup> April	7-12-7	Prayers (in The Choir Vestry at 7 & 7, 12 in S <sup>t</sup> Anne's)
	10.30am	Mothers' Union Corporate Communion, S <sup>t</sup> Katherine's Chapel
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	9.00am	Prayer Meeting, S <sup>t</sup> Anne's Chapel
	10.30am	Holy Communion, S <sup>t</sup> Katherine's Chapel

## Next Sunday 22nd April 2018 FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

- 8.00am BCP Holy Communion
- 9.30am Parish Communion with Prayer Ministry
- 11.15am Eastnor Parish Communion
- 4.00pm The 4 o'clock Service

If you are new here, please fill in one of the blue welcome cards located at the end of each pew so that you can receive information about church activities. Yellow Gift Aid envelopes are available at the end of each pew and at the back of the church. There is a Hearing Loop in this Church. Gluten free wafers are available; please ask one of the Sidespeople.

Service Times and lectionary readings can be found posted in the church porch and on the church website [www.ledburyparishchurch.org.uk](http://www.ledburyparishchurch.org.uk) under the 'Services' section.

Facebook – The church has a facebook page:

[fb.me/stmichaelsledbury](https://www.facebook.com/stmichaelsledbury) – take a look, like and participate

Twitter – If you use Twitter do sign-up to S. Michael's twitter account: @LedburyParish

Parish office: phone number: 01531 631531. Email: [ledbury.ministry@talktalk.net](mailto:ledbury.ministry@talktalk.net)

Readings for 15<sup>th</sup> April 2018: *Easter 3* *The Lord's Prayer: 2*

### First Reading: **Exodus 20: 1 – 17**

<sup>1</sup>And God spoke all these words, saying, <sup>2</sup>"I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

<sup>3</sup>"You shall have no other gods before me.

<sup>4</sup>"You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

<sup>5</sup>You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, <sup>6</sup>but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

<sup>7</sup>"You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.

<sup>8</sup>"Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. <sup>9</sup>Six days you shall labour and do all your work, <sup>10</sup>but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. <sup>11</sup>For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea and all that is in them and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

<sup>12</sup>"Honour your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

<sup>13</sup>"You shall not murder.

<sup>14</sup>"You shall not commit adultery.

<sup>15</sup>"You shall not steal.

<sup>16</sup>"You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

<sup>17</sup>"You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbour's."

### Second Reading: **1 John 5: 1 – 5**

<sup>1</sup>Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of Him. <sup>2</sup>By this we know that we love the children of God; when we love God and obey His commandments.

<sup>3</sup>For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome. <sup>4</sup>For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. <sup>5</sup>Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

### Gospel Reading: **Matthew 6: 9 – 13**

<sup>9</sup>[Jesus said] Pray then like this:

"Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name.

<sup>10</sup>Your kingdom come,

Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

<sup>11</sup>Give us this day our daily bread,

<sup>12</sup>and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.

<sup>13</sup>And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

## Evensong readings are:

Psalms 142

Deuteronomy 7:7-13

Revelation 2:1-17

## COLLECT

Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and truth; through Jesus Christ Your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Living God, Your Son made himself known to His disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see Him in all His redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### We pray for:

Our link CMS mission partners, our Leprosy Mission partners and S<sup>t</sup> Michael and All Angels, Mtwara and S<sup>t</sup> John the Baptist Church, Likonde.

### Those who are sick:

Dean Jackson	Revd Hugh Wakeling	Steve Taylor	Monnica Hussey
John Sutton	Christabel Panter		

### We remember those who have died and pray for those who mourn their passing:

Jeanetta Shakesheff	Elizabeth Jones	Percy Sturge	Pamela Ing
Frederick Firkens	Philip Jenkins	Charlie Griffiths	

## NOTICES

**Young Church** – today theme will be ‘Jesus Appears to the Disciples’.  
The theme next week will be ‘Jesus The Good Shepherd’.

**Wanted:** 2 high chairs for coffee mornings at S<sup>t</sup> Katherine’s. If you have a spare high chair in good condition, please contact Sue Simpson. 01531 632989

**Ledbury Deanery Tanzanian Committee for Mtwara** wish to thank everyone involved in making the Lent Lunches such a success and to those who came to the Beetle Drive and coffee morning. All events were most enjoyable and the amount raised so far is £1472.00. This will help towards the purchase of a bus to collect children from outlying areas to attend Kindergarten. The number of children grows continually, and so our fund raising must continue.

**Christian Aid Week is May 13 - 19th**, and help is requested in raising funds for that valuable cause. If you can help in any way, collecting in your road, organising an event, holding a tin in the High Street or supermarket, please let Margaret Young know: Tel. 01531 635691 or email [mfyledbury@hotmail.com](mailto:mfyledbury@hotmail.com). Thank you.

**Flower Festival May 25th -28<sup>th</sup>**. Any offers of help for this event will be gratefully received-- particularly offers of cakes and scones, help serving, waiting tables or washing up. I shall be at a table at the back of church for the next few Sundays if you can offer help in any way. I will then prepare rotas of availability. Thank you, Maggie Mackenzie. 579009

**Magazine:** The April edition of the magazine is now available at the back of the church, please take a copy. The May edition of the magazine will be compiled by Revd William Simmonds. Please send contributions to William (Email: [williamsimmonds@gmail.com](mailto:williamsimmonds@gmail.com) Tel: 01531 635796.) **The May issue of the magazine will be published on April 29th and contributions must reach William by April 16th at the latest.**

**Any Questions** regarding the readings on Sunday or the Bible, please come to an Outreach Meeting between **7pm and 9.00pm** at Lion Pub, Bye Street on **Tuesday evenings**. All very welcome.

**Ruth Wragg** has been ensuring that there is transport to the monthly Coffee Stop in the Chapter House for those who require it - currently only two persons - but, since she is leaving Ledbury, requires someone else to take on this small task, which takes about half an hour a month. She has a list of willing drivers. Please telephone her to volunteer: 01531 670196 or 07964 544483.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April – Organ Recital from 12.30pm.**

**Wednesday, 18th April – Mothers’ Union Coffee Morning from 10.30am - 12 noon** at 39 Browning Road to raise funds for literacy and parenting skills projects.

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> April – Coffee Morning from 10am to 1pm** at S<sup>t</sup> Katherine’s Hall.

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> May – Newcomers’ Tea, 4.00 – 5.30 pm.** Anyone who is ‘new’ to the church is invited to get to know a few more people over tea, cake and chat in the Chapter House. If you know of anyone you feel should be invited please let me know. I would be grateful for offers of cakes, and of help with welcoming and serving on the day please. **Mary Anne Keyes** 01531579021 [makeyes25@hotmail.com](mailto:makeyes25@hotmail.com)

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> May – Ladies who Lunch from 12 noon** at the Nest.  
Further details from Sue Simpson on 632989.

**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> June – Church Away Day at Tarrington Village Hall:**  
9.30am to setup, tea & coffee **from 10.00am**, opening worship at **10.15am**,  
event **ending at 2pm**